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## **PUBLIC HEARING MEETING NOTICE & AGENDA**

The Delaware Jockey's Health & Welfare Benefit Board will hold a public hearing on **Tuesday, June 21, 2011, at 9:30 a.m.** in the second floor conference room of the Horsemen's Office, located on the grounds of Delaware Park, 777 Delaware Park Boulevard, Wilmington, Delaware 19804

### **AGENDA**

- 1. Welcome & Call To Order**
- 2. Approval of Minutes (May 17, 2011)**
- 3. Public Hearing – Rule Changes – Final Vote**

#### **A. Retired Member Eligibility**

The Delaware Jockey's Health and Welfare Benefit Board, in accordance with 3 Del.C. §10103(c) has proposed changes to its rules and regulations. This rule change is proposed to amend retired member eligibility. The proposed rule change amends Rule 2.1.2.2 by eliminating the minimum number of career mounts, as follows:

**2.1.2** A Retired Delaware Jockey is eligible for health insurance coverage under the Fund if:

**2.1.2.1** The Jockey was receiving health insurance coverage as a retired Jockey provided by the Delaware Thoroughbred Racing Commission's health insurance plan with the Jockey's Guild on January 1, 2006; or

**2.1.2.2** The Jockey rode a minimum of 100 mounts at Delaware Park during the regular Delaware Park season for at least seven years. ~~and had at least 5,000 career mounts at any track.~~

#### **B. Permanently Disabled Members**

The Delaware Jockey's Health & Welfare Benefit Board, in accordance with 3 Del.C. §10103(c) has proposed changes to its rules and regulations. This rule change is proposed to amend eligibility defined for permanently disabled members. The proposed rule change amends Rule 2.1.3.1 by removing the existing language and replacing it with new language, as follows:

**2.1.3** A disabled Delaware Jockey's spouse and dependents qualify for health benefits if the disabled Jockey meets all of the following requirements:

**2.1.3.1** ~~Qualification as an active Delaware jockey as defined by 2.1.1 for at least three years preceding determination of permanent disability. The Jockey was an active participant in the Delaware Jockey's Health and Welfare Benefit Board program at the time of the on-track accident that resulted in total and permanent disability; and~~

**2.1.3.2** Be deemed permanently disabled by Social Security and qualify for Medicare as a result of an injury sustained during the regular Delaware Park season on the premises of Delaware Park, and arising in the course of his/her participation as a licensed Jockey.

#### **4. Adjourn**

The next DJH&WBB meeting will be held on October 18, 2011.  
Please check our website for meeting minutes and updates: [www.state.de.us/deptagri/thoroughbred](http://www.state.de.us/deptagri/thoroughbred).